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Title: **ADAPTIVE CONSTRAINT PROBLEM SOLVING METHOD AND  
SYSTEM**

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Dear Sir:

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND SUBMISSION**

In response to the Advisory Action dated July 8, 2004, in the above-identified application, Applicants submit herewith a Request for Continued Examination and respectfully submits the following amendments and remarks. Also filed concurrently herewith is a petition for a one-month extension of time, and thus the due date is extended to August 26, 2004. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.

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